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Mr. and Mrs. Arthur F. Schubert, Sherill, N. Y., recently received a settlement from Earl Elmer of Syracuse, for injuries sustained on New Year's eve in Oneida Castle, when they were knocked down by Mr. Elmer's auto while they were attempting to cross the highway during a blinding snowstorm. They were at the time residents of Oneida Castle, N. Y. Attorney Stanley Bliss handled the case for them. They are at present boarding with a hearing family at Oneida Castle.

Mr. Jim Fry of Flint, Michigan, was in Rome during the summer, visiting his relatives.

On Sunday, July 31st, a number of Mr. Dennis Costello, Rome, spent the afternoon with him at the home of his brother, John, in Pompey, N. Y. They found Mr. Costello trying to keep cool under the shade of the old apple tree, the temperature was threatening to bust the thermometer at the time.

August 18th being the seventy-sixth natal day of Mrs. Minnie Gould, her daughters, Mrs. Francis Flanagan and Mrs. Curtis Larkin, decided to celebrate the event in a fitting manner. Five auto loads of friends journeyed to Blood's Grove, where a picnic repast was served, to which all did justice. A large birthday cake suitably decorated was presented to Mrs. Gould. Everybody enjoyed themselves until rain interfered and all repaired to Mrs. Gould's home, where a delightful evening was spent. Mrs. Gould has the distinction of being one of the first to graduate from the Rome School for the Deaf and also of being the first pupil to be enrolled when the school was established in 1875. In spite of her advanced age, Mrs. Gould is still quite active.

During Mr. Richard McCabe's absence while attending the convention of the Empire State Association of the Deaf, at Albany, in July, Mrs. McCabe took the opportunity to visit relatives at Jamesville and Pompey, N. Y. Mr. and Mrs. McCabe were both recent dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mayershoffer of Boonville.

Week-end guests in the home of Mrs. Lashbrook, Rome, were Mr. and Mrs. Edwin A. Van Dyke, Boonville, and Mrs. Etta R. Stewart, Oneida. On the Sunday following the party was augmented by the addition of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mayershoffer, Boonville; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Larkin and Mrs. Minnie Gould, Rome.

A little six and a half pound daughter came to brighten the home and gladden the hearts of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Connors of Rome, on Sunday, August 21st.

Miss Alesia Beynon, an employee of the Rome School for the Deaf, spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. Harold Larkin of Forestport, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Leach of Binghamton, have been on a belated honeymoon trip to Washington, D. C., and other southern points. They visited relatives of Mr. Leach, including his aged grandmother.

Mrs. Michael Rutka, aged sixty-seven, passed away at her home, 108 Canal Street, Rome, on June 19th. She was born in Poland, June 15, 1871, and came to America forty-six years ago. She was a member of the Church of the Transfiguration of Our Lord and the Holy Rosary Society of the church. Surviving besides her husband are a son, Joseph, and two grandchildren. The funeral was held

at the late home on Tuesday morning, June 21st, at nine o'clock and half an hour later from the church. Interment was made in St. Mary's Cemetery.

On Friday, July 29th, there passed away one who was always a staunch friend of the deaf and one who having a deaf son understood them. We refer to Mr. George Strail, aged sixty-eight, of Syracuse. He was a hero in the great fire that swept Hotel Warner in 1924. Death was due to a heart attack. He was for twenty years in the service of the city police department, from which he retired June 23, 1926.

On duty at a stand he had six years near the old New York Central station, he led seven persons from the blazing hotel which was right across the street from his post.

A native of Tully, N. Y., Mr. Strail resided in Syracuse fifty years. Surviving him are his widow, Mrs. Maude French Strail, two sons, Carl and Claude, a daughter, Mabel, and one grandson, all of Syracuse, and a brother, Ovid Strail, of Albany.

Funeral services were conducted at the home at two o'clock on Monday, August 1st, by Rev. John M. Joslyn, pastor of the English Lutheran Church of the Atonement. A large concourse of friends, among whom were many deaf people, attended the rites and there was a profusion of beautiful floral tributes. The remains were laid to rest in the Onondaga Valley Cemetery.

Utica Division, No. 45, N. F. S. D., held its annual outing at the Fish and Game Club's athletic field in Iliion, N. Y., on Saturday, August 27th. There was a fair crowd, and those who attended report an enjoyable time.

A son, Robert Wentworth, weight nine pounds, was born on July 12th, to Mr. and Mrs. William Wilbert of Iliion, N. Y. The little one is the grandson of the late Mrs. Ella Wentworth Wilbert.

August 28th, there was an outing (a quiet picnic) in Elmwood Park, Syracuse, in honor of Carl Ayling, who is leaving the city to accept a position as assistant supervisor of boys at the Rome School. Mrs. C. M. Houze was chairwoman of the committee and was ably assisted by Mr. and Mrs. R. Brown, Mr. William Gray and others. A picnic supper of corn, sausages and coffee, prepared on one of the fireplaces, supplemented by rolls, salad, pies, was served and all of the fifty or so present had an enjoyable time. Mrs. Ayling and their daughter, Marjorie, will remain in Syracuse for the present.

Mrs. William Cox of the Gallaudet Home, was visiting relatives and friends in Tarberg and Rome in August.

On Wednesday, August 17th, Mrs. Milton Harris held a surprise party in honor of her husband's birthday. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Eldridge, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cermak, Mr. and Mrs. John Lyman and Miss Josepha Szymanski. Among other things, he received beautiful Waltham wrist-watch from his wife.

Picnics seem to be quite the fashion this summer. The latest was held on August 21st at Sacandaga Reservoir, sixty miles north of Albany. The weather was ideal and the water was perfect. Immediately on arriving the crowd discovered a blackberry patch (sure we know blackberries grow on bushes—we mean a patch of bushes) and spent the entire morning picking the luscious berries to be made into jam, jelly or wine. After a real picnic lunch the crowd to a man swarmed down to the beach and sampled the water. It was so tempting they remained there three and a half hours,

which resulted in more than one flaming case of sunburn. Then more eats and the crowd wended their weary way homeward as the sun began to set. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Ben Mendel and children, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Al Diot and son, Truman, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Spiwak, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Morris, Mr. and Mrs. John Lyman, and the Misses Edna Fraser and Josepha Szymanski. The site of the picnic was the camp of Mrs. Lyman's brother, Kenneth Sack. Her uncle also has a camp nearby.

August 27th, being the birthday of Mrs. Edward Lydecker, the Langes made up a small party in her honor. Games of skill and memory games (such as how many theatres, laundries, taxi companies, etc., in your town) took up the better part of the evening. Highest score was made by Mrs. John Lyman for the ladies and Mr. Fred Donnelly for the men, the booby going to Mr. Earl Calkins. For eats there was a birthday cake and ice-cream, not to mention coffee. Those present besides the host and hostess were Messrs. and Mesdames Edward Lydecker, Earl Calkins, John Lyman, and Fred Donnelly. The son of the Lydeckers, Charles, was also present and enjoyed it as much as anyone.

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E. S. A. D. Asks for State Census. Governor Replies

At a recent convention of the Empire State Association of the Deaf at Albany, July 28th to 30th, resolutions for a State Census of the deaf was passed and a letter to this effect dispatched to the Governor outlining the need for same, together with a request for an appropriation and necessary credentials for enumerators.

The following letter was received by the Association's president, Mr. Ebin, from the Governor, showing the interest he has in our situation.

STATE OF NEW YORK
EXECUTIVE CHAMBER
ALBANY

August 12th, 1938

My dear Mr. Ebin:

I am just in receipt of your letter of August ninth, contents of which I have carefully noted.

I am sending a copy of it to the Honorable Jacob H. Livingston, Chairman of the New York State Commission on the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, with the request that he give careful consideration to the recommendations made in your communication.

May I express my sincere appreciation to the officers and members of the Empire State Association of the Deaf for their co-operation with me and the other officials of the State of New York.

With best wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) HERBERT H. LEHMAN

At a conference with Senator Livingston on July 23d last, the Senator, who is Chairman of the Commission on the deaf, has consented to receive one or two representatives to outline the requests of the Empire State Association of the Deaf. The two who were appointed to represent us are Mrs. Tanya Nash, a social worker of the deaf and well acquainted with their needs, and Dr. Rudolf Pintner, a professor at Columbia University, who is well acquainted with the deaf and a forceful speaker.

The ESAD has also appointed Mr. Edwin L. LaCrosse, a former instructor of the deaf at the New York School and an attorney at present, and Mr. Albert W. Davis, an attorney, of Chester, N. Y., as Legal Advisors to the Association.

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NEW YORK CITY

METROPOLITAN CIVIC ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF

After the summer vacation, the Metropolitan Civic Association will have its first meeting at the Union League Headquarters on the second Tuesday of September, the thirteenth, at eight o'clock. Henceforth, the Association will meet at the same place on the second Tuesday of every month. It is earnestly hoped that many more deaf people will join the Association, so that it can serve the greatest possible number of deaf citizens. Many items of new business, largely from the economic viewpoint, will be brought up and discussed, as well as old ones.

FIFTH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

The cultured impeccable Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Maxwell Schapira of Woodside, L. I., were given a surprise party on Saturday evening, August the 27th, in celebration of their fifth wedding anniversary by Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stein, Jr., at their apartment on Park Terrace West, way up in upper Manhattan. The host and hostess planned the party and entertained the Schapiras and their friends very handsomely.

The anniversary being wooden, the honored couple were presented with a beautiful maple bridge table and a set of four chairs to match—the joint gift of those who were invited to the party.

Mr. Schapira, a handsome, youthful man in his thirties, is steadily employed as general office clerk at Lane Bryant department store. The other half, the former Mary Weber, who was born in California, is a beautiful young lady. Both are graduates of the 23d Street day school for the deaf, while the Mr. used to attend New York University.

Those who participated in the party were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stein, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Lester Cohen, Mr. and Mrs. Franz Ascher, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Frank of East Orange, N. J., Miss Hannah Levine of New Brunswick, N. J., Mr. Lew Goldwasser, now of California, Mr. Edgar Bloom, Jr., Mr. Charles Joselow, Mr. Gilbert Michel, Mr. and Mrs. Art Kruger, and Miss Weber, deaf sister of Mrs. Schapira.

Mr. Joseph Graham enjoyed a vacation of ten days around New Jersey. He was in Ridgefield for a while and went to Port Monmouth by auto. Then he was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Charles McManus over a week-end at their family home in Roselle Park.

New Jersey

On August 18th, Mrs. G. Sanders, the former Helen Hudnutt of Flemington, N. J., died of peritonitis. The tragedy was hard to believe as the young matron was but twenty-two years of age, in the prime of life.

While attending the New Jersey School for the Deaf, Mrs. Sanders was one of the most popular girls there. Well liked by both the teachers and students, she proved to be one of the most graceful dancers that the school had ever trained.

Exhibits by Miss Hudnutt before teachers and parents were not uncommon, and her perfect rhythm work was commended by all.

Thirty-five deaf friends from all over the state attended the services. Burial was in a beautiful cemetery in the valley near her home.

She is survived by a son, Billy, two and a half years old, her husband, Brick Sanders, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Hudnutt, and a brother.

SPRING SPORTS

By Art Kruger

"Let's have some more articles on sports," says Jacob Caskey, director of athletics of the Indiana School for the Deaf, in a letter to the writer some time ago. So the following article contains write-ups regarding spring sports of the state schools for the deaf. Most of the large schools in the east have baseball teams, while the larger schools in the middle west and the far west choose track and field as their major spring sport.

BASEBALL

Baseball is recognized in this country and abroad as the great American national game. It holds a peculiar place in the affections of the public. Its nearest rival in popularity is football, but the latter is considered more of a school game, while baseball is a game of the masses, whether played on a sandlot between teams composed of school boys, or professionally by high-salaried men before spectators running into the tens of thousands. The enthusiasm it can inspire is equalled by no other sport unless it be the great intercollegiate contests of football.

One wonders why there are not any deaf players in organized baseball these days. During the last decade or so has seen the abandonment of baseball in most of our schools, especially Gallaudet College—taking away from prospective deaf players an opportunity to gain the experience and background necessary for admittance into professional baseball. It will be remembered that around the turn of the century several state schools for the deaf had nine which made names for themselves in competition with other teams of that day. There had been several players to reach the major leagues and more had played in minor leagues. The best known of these probably is Luther Taylor, now connected with the Illinois School as housefather of boys, who was a member of the New York Giants from 1903 to 1908, managed by the immortal John McGraw. As a running mate of Matthewson and other great Giant pitchers of that time, Taylor won 85 games and lost 59. Another popular deaf player of the era toward the end of the last century was William E. Hoy, an outfielder. He started his career with Oshkosh in 1886 and had performed for Washington Nationals, Buffalo, St. Louis American Association, Cincinnati Nationals, Louisville Nationals, Chicago Americans, ending his career with the Cincinnati Nationals in 1902. Up until a few years ago the larger cities which boasted sizable deaf populations often had baseball teams of their own which performed in local amateur or semi-pro circles, often under the name of *Silents*.

It is gratifying to know that baseball is gaining popularity among the state schools, especially in the east. More interstate contests were played last spring than in previous years.

Last spring only twelve state schools maintained a baseball team. They were New Jersey, Mt. Airy, Indiana, American, Rochester, Virginia, West Virginia, St. Joseph's, Missouri, Maryland, Minnesota and Kentucky.

NAMES OF COACHES

Below are gives names of coaches of those state schools having diamond teams—six of them are deaf:

New Jersey—Joseph Dey (hearing)
Mt. Airy—George W. Harlow (hearing)
Indiana—Jacob Caskey (hearing)
American—Walter C. Rockwell (deaf)
Rochester—Russel Triebert (hearing)
Virginia—T. C. Lewellyn (deaf)
West Virginia—Wm. Schwarzkopf (hearing)
St. Joseph's—William J. Foley (deaf)
Maryland—James A. McVernon (deaf)
Minnesota—John T. Boatwright (deaf)
Kentucky—Claude H. Hoffmeyer (deaf)
Missouri—Malcolm Whitaker (hearing)

NEW JERSEY SCHOOL

"Say, we think this is the finest state school baseball layout in the country," said Joseph Dey, coach of the New Jersey nine, as his boys

played a double-header against the invading West Virginia team on Memorial Day. The writer was one of the 600 fans at this double header, and he agreed with Mr. Dey. New Jersey certainly played smart baseball and it showed the benefits of fine coaching. Mr. Dey, like Fred Burbank, coach of this year National cage champions, was a graduate of Springfield (Mass.) Y. M. C. A. College. He, too, was a semi-pro player of note. The end of the season found New Jersey with ten games won and only three lost.

WEST VIRGINIA SCHOOL

It is regrettable that West Virginia played poor baseball against New Jersey and Mt. Airy. The writer thinks that the school was capable of playing fine baseball if it didn't go up in the air like so many high school teams do when the chips were down. After losing the opening game by one run on schedule to Paw-Paw High, West Virginia won the next five games, scoring more than thirteen runs each contest, but after that Coach Schwarzkopf's nine fared badly, losing twice to Virginia and New Jersey, once to Mt. Airy and some other high schools in return contests. West Virginia's last game with Mt. Airy at Philadelphia on May 31st was its worst defeat of the season—the score was 2 to 18 in seven innings. However, West Virginia played more games than any other state school last spring, having played eighteen contests and was victorious nine times.

MOST THRILLING INTERSTATE CONTEST

Hit and Run, a newspaper of sporting events of the New Jersey School, was distributed to the spectators at the New Jersey-West Virginia double-headers at West Trenton on Memorial Day. The paper contains an interesting write-up about the second game between Mt. Airy and New Jersey, which was considered the best and most thrilling of all interstate contests played last spring. The write-up follows:

The Jersey boys traveled to Philadelphia Saturday for their last game against the Mt. Airy School this year. It was a close game from the first inning to the fifteenth. The New Jersey team lead until the eighth when the home team dented the rubber once to tie the score. Neither team had a chance to score until the tenth when Vince Sorgi smacked a triple with one out. Donovan, the next batter, laid down a bunt and Sorgi started in for the plate. Tosti fielded the ball and held it a second. Sorgi stopped running, then dove for the plate, but Tosti woke by this time and threw to the plate in time to catch Sorgi. Donovan, in the meantime, decided to go to second but was trapped on Hall's throw to Valentine. That ended the inning and the chance for that extra run which was so important.

No other opportunity to score came about for either team until the fifteenth when the Jersey boys started things moving. Lancellotti struck out, but Cerkies cracked a single to centre field. Mikos followed with a short fly to the right field and was safe when Hoffer dropped it on a running catch. Cerkies advanced to second. Vince Sorgi came through with his fourth hit of the afternoon to score Cerkies. Mikos was caught going into third. This would have been another run for Donovan singled on his time at bat. Heiden fled out to leave Sorgi and Donovan still on the sacks.

One run was enough because the best that P. S. D. could do in their half of the fifteenth was to get Valentine as far as second. Tosti fled to Heiden for the first out. Valentine singled and stole second. Hall fled to Donovan and Crush grounded to Sorgi for the final out.

Tony Cerkies pitched a fine game for the Jersey team. It was his first game this year and he gave a surprisingly good performance. With a little luck, or should we say, a couple of less errors by his teammates and he would have won the game in the nine innings. He kept the hits well scattered. Mikos replaced him in the ninth and held the Mt. Airy team with very little trouble. Tosti pitched the entire game and had the boys from Jersey fanning the breeze. Probably his best bit of pitching occurred in the fifth inning when with one run in and men on second and third with none out he struck out Mikos and Sorgi and made Donovan fly out to left field. He was tiring in the later innings but he put up a strong battle.

The West Trenton boys bunched their hits to get their runs. They also did most of the hitting for distance, Vince Sorgi getting two triples, Mikos a triple and Cerkies a double. Butz made the only extra base hit for P. S. D. by dropping a fly into the trees in short left field for a double.

New Jersey (5)

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Lancellotti, c.	7	1	1	17	3	1
Cerkies, p, 2b.	6	1	3	3	3	0
Mikos, 1b, p.	6	2	1	8	1	1
Sorgi, ss.	6	0	4	3	5	0
Donovan, cf.	7	0	1	3	0	0
Tober, lf.	3	0	0	0	0	1
Heiden, rf.	4	0	0	3	0	2
Ogrodnik, rf, lf.	6	0	0	1	0	0
Hand, 2b, 1b	5	0	0	6	0	1
Regeic, 3b	6	1	1	1	2	1

Totals56 5 11 45 14 7

Mt. Airy (4)

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Valentine, 2b	6	1	3	3	2	0
Hall, c	8	0	0	22	2	0
Cruch, 3b	8	2	2	4	0	1
Butz, ss.	7	0	2	4	3	0
Bonshack, cf	3	0	0	0	0	1
Murphy, cf	3	0	1	0	0	0
Hoffer, lf	7	0	0	2	0	1
Marinick, rf	3	0	1	0	0	1
Offsharick, rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Corbitch, rf	2	0	1	0	0	0
Gasco, 1b	6	0	0	10	1	0
Tosti, p	6	1	2	0	5	0

Totals61 4 12 45 13 4

N. J. 1 0 2 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1—5
Mt. A. 0 0 2 0 0 0 1 1 0 0 0 0 0 0—4

Two base hits—Butz, Cerkies. Three base hits—Mikos, Sorgi 2. Bases on balls—Off Tosti 4, Cerkies 4, Mikos 1. Struck out—By Tosti 20, Cerkies 9, Mikos 6. Left on bases—Mt. Airy 16, New Jersey 9.

The following are results of other interstate contests played last spring:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E
Mt. Airy	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	—3	4	6
New Jersey	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	—4	6	5

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E
West Virginia	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	—2	7	5
Virginia	2	2	1	0	0	5	3	0	—13	18	2	

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E
West Virginia	0	1	0	0	0	3	2	0	1	—6	8	4
West Virginia	0	1	0	1	0	2	1	0	0	—5	3	1

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		R	H	E
West Virginia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—0	3	5	
New Jersey	2	2	0	4	0	0		—8	7	1	

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E
West Virginia	0	3	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	—5	9	8
New Jersey	0	1	3	4	1	3	3	1		—16	13	1

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
West Virginia	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	—2	2	7
Mt. Airy	1	1	9	0	5	2		—18	16	1

MT. AIRY SCHOOL

Mt. Airy had a good team and was rated second best in the country. The Harlow boys were victorious in only four games and were defeated in seven contests because they played against strong teams such as Beacom Business College of Wilmington (Del.), New Jersey School for the Deaf, National Farm School, and other top-notch high schools in and around Philadelphia. Mt. Airy closed the season with a victory over Germantown High of the Philadelphia Public High School League, 5 to 0, which was considered the most significant result of the season, for the high school is one of the largest schools in the state.

INDIANA SCHOOL

Indiana, too, had a good team, and was voted the best team in the west and third best in the country. Baseball was reestablished there as a sport when its coach, Jacob Caskey, a product of Butler University, came to Indiana six years ago. The school plays a 12-18 games schedule every spring. Indianapolis is a city of 375,000, so Indiana has to play with large high schools. Tech High, the largest high school in the state (6,000 pupils), outscored Indiana, 9 to 3, for its worst defeat. The record of Caskey's baseballers stands at 6 wins and 9 losses.

ROCHESTER SCHOOL

For the third successive year the Rochester School stood as champions of the city high school league. The school was untouched by defeat in eastern division league competition, and at the end of the regular season Rochester was in front with five games won. In the playoff contest for the city title, Rochester conquered Jefferson High, champion of the western division league. In all, Rochester had a great year in sports. Besides winning this diamond crown, the school also took the soccer title and finished second in basketball.

RECORDS OF OTHER SCHOOLS

Maryland, Kentucky and Minnesota had a poor season. Kentucky lost all five baseball games, but won eight softball contests out of nine. Minnesota had been "goose-egged" in almost every game. Records of St. Joseph's, Missouri and Virginia were unknown.

Speaking of softball, it is becoming popular among high schools in the middle west. There are 10 men on a softball team, the "extra" man roving between the infield and the outfield. The playing area required is about half that of a baseball field. All players are nearer to each other. Although the ball is pitched underhand, it travels at terrific speed and in baffling curves. It was said that one softball star has pitched over 100 no-hit games in five years. A regulation softball is $\frac{1}{2}$ inch larger in diameter than a baseball and is almost as hard. Catchers use special protection for their hands. Softball bats are 34 inches long, maximum, and limited to $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches at thickest part.

TRACK

To begin with, track is a most unusual sport. With the exception of the relays, the emphasis in track is almost entirely on individual effort. The boy running a race or competing in any field event is strictly upon his own. He has no one to block for him, no one to back him up in the field, no one to pass to him. Once the starter's gun cracks, it's entirely up to the individual. Once he picks up the shot, the discus, or starts his approach to the high jump bar it's his party and his alone. As a result we may safely assume that track is an excellent medium for young men to develop self-reliance and poise.

It was, indeed, surprising that the deaf lads who run, jump and throw things are running, jumping and throwing things faster and further the last few years than those had done during the bygone days. This is probably due to better coaching, better training methods, better shoes, better technique and still better track construction.

Last spring only seven state schools for the deaf had an organized track and field team. Those having teams were Washington, California, Iowa, Missouri, Nebraska, Minnesota and Illinois.

Those schools had several good runners but were in need of some field boys. The best track teams have balance. That is, they are able to make points in most every event. So, it is greatly hoped that the coaches next year will try to interest as many boys as possible for development in field events, so that a few years later, their teams should be much better conditioned and have a good chance to win many meets.

Perhaps the most effective way of introducing the sport to the pupils and creating a source for varsity material is through an intramural program. Once the program is formed, interest in track should never languish.

CALIFORNIA SCHOOL

Time, height and distance showed that California had about the best state school for the deaf track and field team in the country. This little band of spiked artists, tutored by Roy G. Parks, a Gallaudet Normal graduate, had won almost every meet last spring, and ran away with the track championship of Southern Alameda County for the fifth successive season. The school also took a silver loving cup by clinching the annual California Aggies invitational competition.

Field strength was one reason why Park's boys had won several meets that season. Roger Specht, track captain, had pole vaulted somewhat over 11 feet 6 inches. Like fellow deaf Californians, Stanford University's Trojans had field strength in winning their eighth I. C. 4-A title held at New York City last summer.

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SPRING SPORTS (Continued from page 2)

ILLINOIS SCHOOL

As far back as we have been able to recall, Illinois was the first state school to form a track and field team, and had produced several outstanding performers such as Jimmy Rayhill, George Walnoha and John Chudzikiewicz.

Just a few words about these stars. Jimmy Rayhill had been Gallaudet's one-man track team for four years and had always scored in the 100, 220 and 440-yard dashes, running high and broad jumps and, especially, pole vault. John Chudzikiewicz won the Polish World's Olympic javelin throw in Warsaw, Poland, in 1933, and also took first place in the javelin throw of 178 feet 11 inches (a new record) at the Fourth International Games for the Deaf, held at London, England, in 1935. George Walnoha was Gallaudet's outstanding javelin thrower and shot putter, and still holds records in both events, which may probably not be broken for a long time. His record for javelin throw is 179.3 feet, and for shot put (16 lb.) 42.82 feet.

Last spring Illinois, handicapped by injuries throughout the season, experienced one of the most disastrous campaigns in recent years. The school track and field barriers made only one point in the district meet and finished fourth in the Central Conference competition, which they won last year (1937).

In this central conference meet, seven records were broken, but five remained in the possession of the Illinois School from last year.

The school through Managing Officer Cloud and Coach "Spike" Wilson ably conducted the district meet held on May 14th, in which more than 250 athletes, representing 43 high schools, took part. Illinois' district record in the half-mile relay made in 1936 was finally broken at this meet by Springfield High's crack quartet.

WASHINGTON SCHOOL

Coach Oscar Sanders' track and field squadron of the Washington State School for the Deaf, took the Clark county title for the third successive year in the annual county interscholastic meet at the school for the deaf oval Saturday afternoon, May 7th. Washington scored nine of fourteen events, and amassed a total of 70½ points to Ridgefield High's 37. Washougal High had 31 and Battle Ground High scored 8½.

IOWA SCHOOL

The Iowa School tracksters, as coached by Nathan Lahn and Cecil Scott, made history in the district eliminations held at Council Bluffs May 13th, by emerging third with 38 points. As a result of this splendid showing, the school team, for the first time in the history, was qualified for the state meet at Iowa State College, May 28th. (Result unknown.)

In the district meet LeRoy Fleenor, who was the outstanding performer at every meet last spring, won the 100-yard dash and was second in the 220-yard dash. The 880-yard relay team finished a close second to the Abraham Lincoln High quartet.

Iowa took home four nice trophies, and had set several new track records in several meets.

INTERSTATE TRACK CONTEST

Rolling along behind steady barrage of first, second and third place performances, Iowa easily defeated Nebraska in a dual meet held on the winner's field May 24th. Iowa, winning ten first places in a program of thirteen events, outscored Nebraska, 83 to 30.

This meet is considered the first track and field competition between any two schools for the deaf in the country, and it is sincerely hoped that some day there will be a national elimination.

MISSOURI SCHOOL

The track proteges of W. Burton Moore had a successful season. No wonder Moore was enthusiastic over

track for it was he who discovered and trained Helen Stephens who led United States to victory in the running events for women at the 1936 Olympic in Berlin.

Missouri won several meets competing with high school teams, and participated in the Northeast Missouri Conference competition—the result of which is unknown.

MINNESOTA

Coach Chester Dobson's tracksters had a highly successful season. This was Dobson's first year with the track team. He will be remembered as one of the best half-milers Gallaudet College ever had. He still holds Gallaudet's record for 440-yard dash. His 880-yard run was broken a few years ago.

In the Rochester regional meet May 21st, Minnesota won third place. Clayton Nelson, our All-American cage star, set a new regional record of 10.2 in the 100-yard dash. He also copped first place honors in the 220-yard dash and in the 880-yard relay team took second place. Prior to this meet, Minnesota also won second place in the Northfield district competition. In this meet, the school relay team, considered the best in the section of the state, "won by a mile" covering the 880-yards in 1:36.5. Clayton Nelson and the relay teams were the outstanding performers on the cinder paths in all meets during the season.

The tracksters who won first and second places in the regional meet entered the state final eliminations at the Memorial Stadium in Minneapolis, May 28th. There the cream of the track harriers in 475 high schools in the state competed for honors. Entered were Clayton Nelson and William Menke in the 100 and 220-yard dashes, and the relay team consisted of Nelson, Menke Shaw and Armon. Nelson scored second and third places, respectively, in the 100 and 220-yard dashes, and the relay team took fifth place.

WRESTLING

Wrestling is an ancient and time-honored sport. It was practiced by the Greeks in the time of Homer and its arts were known to the Hebrews in Old Testament times. Today in its many forms it is quite universal. The Japanese are exponents of a style of wrestling known as jiu-jitsu. The European wrestlers meet usually under the Graeco-Roman rules, while here in America we have our catch-as-catch-can variety.

It is not surprising that wrestling should have continued as a popular sport through all the centuries and in all climes. It offers opportunity for testing its strength in combat with comrade or rival, and while bodily strength is paramount, roughness and brutality may be entirely absent. Furthermore, as a sport it requires little or no paraphernalia or equipment, no large number of players and no elaborate field for practice. The wrestler strips to the waist and meets his opponent on a mat, which needs measure no more than twenty feet square. Two strong bodies and two stout hearts, each with the love of contest, are all that are needed to make the bout a success.

The writer believes that every deaf school boy should know something about wrestling, as he should of swimming. They all add to his manhood and to his strength and to his ability for self-defense and preservation. It is a sport where quick wits, strength, and knowledge all play important parts.

ARKANSAS SCHOOL

Out at the Arkansas School they certainly have what it takes in the art of grappling. Last spring the school chalked up its tenth consecutive State A. A. U. championship in one of the greatest wrestling tournaments held in recent years. There were 118 bouts and 115 competitors and the meet lasted for three days. Arkansas known in the state as "King of the Mat" won nine out of the fifteen weight classes and took seven second place honors. Harding College sent

a twelve-man team to this tourney, but could get no farther than the semi-finals.

Credit for the success of the school's lengthy reign as state A. A. U. wrestling champions should go to Nathan Zimble, who retired as its coach at the close of the season. Mr. Zimble, while a student at Gallaudet College, was captain of the college grapplers, and since he was a "midget man of mighty muscle," he earned the title of "The Mighty Atom." In 1924 he was amateur champion "rassler" of the South Atlantic division in the 112-lb. class, and in the same year he nearly won a place on the United States Olympic wrestling team when he went to New York City and worked his way to the semi-finals at Madison Square Garden, but met defeat at the hands of the 1923 national champion in his division.

MARYLAND SCHOOL

We see by the school papers that Arkansas is the only state school for the deaf that has an organized wrestling team. Two other schools that last winter tried wrestling as a sport were Minnesota and Maryland.

A wrestling intramural league was organized at the Maryland School. The league was made possible largely through the efforts of Dan Kalinowski, a student of the school. A loving cup was awarded to the team which made the largest number of points, and a medal was also presented to the outstanding grappler. Dan Kalinowski was also the sponsor of both prizes. It was Superintendent Bjorlee who encouraged the idea of forming the league. Last Christmas he ordered a new mat for the gymnasium.

A news item culled from J. Frederick Meagher's *Spotlight* column in *The Frat* for August, 1938, says: "Maryland is first to try to book dual wrestling meets with other deaf schools. (Remember that, and give Maryland credit as pioneer, ten or twenty years from now, when we have Annual National Deaf Wrestling tourneys.)"

DEAF AMATEUR RASSLERS

Probably the greatest deaf amateur rassler of all time was J. Frederick Meagher. He was National A. A. U. 108-lb. wrestling champion in 1918 and 1919 and was second in the 115-lb. class in 1917. It was said that he is the first deaf men who has ever won the *National* title. Glenn Smith is another deaf who was national wrestling champion, when he took the 145-lb. title in 1919. He played centre on the Notre Dame football team way back in 1912 and 1913, and on the same team was his classmate—the immortal Knute Rockne. Both Meagher and Smith were members of the Gary (Indiana) Y. M. C. A. wrestling team which won the national A. A. U. title in 1919 and which is considered the greatest A. A. U. team ever.

DEAF PRO GRAPPLERS

There are several deaf who are or were professional grapplers. Greatest deaf pro wrestler of bygone days was "Silent" Olsen Condell, or William Suttka, his real name. He retired from wrestling after many years in the game. During his younger days he was one of the foremost rasslers in the world. He had to give up the ring while still going strong on account of a weak heart.

The best known deaf pro grappler of today is "Silent" Everett Rattan. He is fast and clever, and is an exponent of the flying scissors and other fancy holds. It was made known that "Silent" Rattan held the world's middleweight title for only one year, having conquered champion Thom several years ago. Rattan is now a full-fledged light heavy and is still in his prime. He is a great drawing card wherever he wrestles.

GALLAUDET

Gallaudet College has made a remarkable showing in wrestling the last few years and has produced several District of Columbia A. A. U. champions.

Wrestling was reestablished as a sport at the college in 1931, and three years later in 1934, it became one of its *major* sports when Gallaudet was presented with the District A. A. U. team championship.

So, after having looked over the 1937-1938 records of the various schools for the deaf sports, the writer names the champions of various sports as follows:

Football—Kansas School
Basketball—New Jersey School
Soccer—Maryland School
Baseball—New Jersey School
Wrestling—Arkansas School
Track and Field—California School

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MILWAUKEE

Coach F. J. Neesam of the Wisconsin School for the Deaf gridders of 1938, has announced that there will be a home-coming football game between the Indiana and Wisconsin Schools for the Deaf teams at the Delavan school's gridiron on Saturday afternoon, October 29th, at 2:30 P.M. Admission to the football game and also to the dance at the school's new gymnasium will be fifty cents for all. Indiana has not been on W. S. D. schedule for over ten years. Come one and all! Don't forget that date!

The Wisconsin School for the Deaf football team will play football against the Michigan State School for the Deaf gridders at Flint, Mich., on Saturday afternoon, November 5th.

Mr. F. J. Neesam of Delavan, has had good luck fishing for wall eyed pike the last month. He caught about fifty weighing from one to six pounds each. What a lucky fellow he is! His daughter, Lucille, who was graduated with the degree of B.A. from the University of Wisconsin at Madison, will go to Gallaudet as a Normal this coming fall.

Harold Weingold, who was last year's basketball captain of the Wisconsin School for the Deaf squad, will enter Gallaudet College this coming fall. Here's hoping he will help Gallaudet's team win many basketball games, depending on good cooperation this coming winter.

Mr. John Cerzan visited one of his relatives at their farm near Davenport, Iowa, for one week recently. He enjoyed sightseeing in the cities of Davenport, and across the bridge, of Rock Island, Ill., for a day recently. He returned and reported having a nice time there.

Mr. Walter Dowe, who has worked as custodian at the Milwaukee Silent Club for nine years, was given his first vacation with pay recently. He spent it vacationing at one of the places near Watertown, Wis., and returned reporting having a wonderful time.

A picnic, sponsored by the Milwaukee Silent Club, took place at one of the parks in West Allis, Wis., on Saturday, August 20th. A good crowd of deaf folks attended in spite of the heavy downpour. Chairman Ralph Javore reported the affair netting a good profit from proceeds of games and from refreshments and drinks sold that day. A cash prize went to one of the lucky ticket holders.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Booher of Stevens Point, Wis., dropped into Milwaukee and visited their friends for a day recently. Mr. Booher used to work with the reporter in one of the upholstering factories here. At present he is employed with one of the furniture firms in Stevens Point.

Ralph, the son of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Neesam of Delavan, will enter his first year at the University of Wisconsin this coming fall.

Herbert and Raymond Boettcher, whose home is in Bonduel, Wis., dropped into this city and visited their friends here for a few days. They will go back to the Delavan school this fall.

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BOTH observation and experience point to the necessity for schools performing a greater service than merely taking students through a prescribed course of study. They must train youth to think for themselves, stimulate self-reliance, rather than being content to rely upon the thoughts of others.

In promoting this important attribute in student life modern schools have aimed on the development of the individual as a member of the social group. This follows through the use of activity programs in the classroom where children learn by doing. However, it is often complained that while schools have sought to meet the demands for progressive methods in this way the needed pre-training of teachers has lagged, failing to keep pace with the development of the advance system.

As pupils learn by doing, teachers must still learn by observation and listening, since they have no activity program. It is contended that schools should go beyond the vocational training by teaching trade classes more than the ability in the use of tools. It is further urged that what schools should teach is the ability to enjoy life to its fullest extent, to live amicably with others, making adjustments from day to day. It is not advisable, however, to adopt extreme positions in either direction.

There should be reasonable tolerance allowed to the views of others, even of minorities, without regard to their giving offense to us personally. This is necessary if the democratic spirit is to survive. A similar note should be struck in recreational and community life. It would be preferable to have a full-time professional staff to supervise and carry on a program of recreational exercises. The burden of such a program cannot successfully be directed by part-time

assistants. It requires and should employ a professional staff devoting all its time to the point in view, if it is to obtain results that will in any way prove satisfactory and beneficial to the students under training.

EVIDENCE of great problems and social changes is to be seen in the increasing proportion of elderly people in our country. The outcome of the shift in the age groups, added to the danger of a decline in the birth rate and increasing longevity, may mean a greater outlay for social security for the aged. This may require proportionally less expenditure for education of children. Because of the startling decrease in the number of young people as compared with the increase of the aged, it is believed that there may be indication of the necessity for economic adjustment. This would permit of greater opportunity of those able to do productive work in the higher age groups.

On the average the labor supply of the future points to an older class than in the past. However, the tendency of industrial management to set an industrial deadline at 40 is contrary to the tendency toward population increase at the higher age level. There appears to be a definite tendency in the declining to hold a higher proportion of older workers because of the need for skill. In the newer and expanding industries there is a higher proportion of young workers. Where technical improvements supplant an old craft with machinery the need for skill decreases; skilled occupations appear to be declining in importance. Yet, in the productive age classes between 20 and 64 will probably be greater than in the last century.

From recent reports of investigators it is apparent that the rate of the country's population is receding, as in recent years it has dropped almost half. There is no cause for alarm since the death rate is also falling. There is, however, the necessity of developing life for a mature community; the outlook for the future is encouraging, in fact, most favorable.

Memorial Service

A Memorial Service for the late George T. Sanders will be held at All Soul's Church in Philadelphia, on the afternoon of Sunday, September 18th, at 3:15 o'clock. Friends and the public are invited to attend.

Wisconsin

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Marvin Rood, the present editor of the *Wisconsin Times*, motored here in his car from Stout Normal School in Menominee, Wis., where he was specializing in one of the subjects—printing—for a few weeks recently. He was on his way to Delavan.

George Hoffman of Appleton and George Sullivan of Oshkosh, were vacationing at one of the cottages near Shawano, which is approximately one hundred and fifty miles north of Milwaukee. They came and visited their friends here for a few days, before they returned home. They reported having a wonderful time.

The Marquette University here will have three deaf students this coming Fall. They are Robert Windell, John Dye and Sam Lewis. Robert Windell will start his fifth year specializing in engineering; John Dye his fourth year specializing in engineering and Sam Lewis will start his first year specializing in engineering. All of them are former graduates of the Paul Binner School (Milwaukee Day School) and the Lincoln High School. Best wishes to all of them.

Los Angeles, Cal.

At a recent meeting of the Los Angeles Chapter of the California Association of the Deaf, they voted to sponsor the 19th Triennial Convention of the National Association of the Deaf in 1940. A new Local Committee has been formed to have charge of it, with the following personnel: Chairman, Mrs. May E. Cool; Assistant Chairman, Joseph Greenberg; Mrs. May Doane, Mrs. Ethel Himmelschein, Miss Lenore Bible; Messrs. Foster Gilbert, F. W. Meinken, J. A. Goldstein and Einar Rosenkjar. The members of the committee are all capable and public spirited and we understand there will soon be an announcement of their plans for the Convention.

Among the recent visitors here were Mrs. Belle Divine of Vancouver, Wash., who was the guest of the Kenneth Willmans; Mrs. Iona Simpson of Olathe, Kan., who visited relatives; Mr. and Mrs. Peter Hughes of Fulton, Mo., who came in their car. They are quite familiar with this vicinity, having visited here several times. A recent arrival is Miss Minnie Skerlton of Regina, Sask., Canada, who is a guest of the Perry Seelys.

Mrs. Josephine Whittaker is the proud owner of a new Dodge car. She and Mrs. Anna Cordero, Mrs. Vinnie Burson and Mrs. Susan Walgren expect to leave soon after Labor Day on a trip North, going as far as Victoria, B. C.

Mrs. Grace Noah and daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Whitnall and two children, have recently returned from a long motor trip. They visited Mr. Whitnall's folks in Wisconsin and Lincoln, Neb., where Mrs. Noah formerly lived.

Three sisters who were here in August were the Watson sisters, Angelia Watson, Mrs. Edna Karnofsky of Phoenix, Ariz., and Babette Watson, a pupil of the Texas School. The latter had spent a month in a summer camp, with hearing people, in San Diego county, and said she enjoyed it. She must have had interesting experiences, the only deaf one in the camp. Miss Angelia is the Arizona correspondent of the *Silent Broadcaster*.

Miss Hilda Journey, a recent graduate of the Iowa School, spent the summer at Fullerton, Cal., with her parents. She has been seen at several of the picnics. Perhaps she will return to Council Bluffs, if she does not stay to take the Civil Service examination this fall, at the Berkeley School.

Mrs. E. Lohmayer and son of San Francisco, have been visiting the Conways. Miss Ada Young from the same city, is here, spending her vacation with her sister, Mrs. Bertha Keene.

Miss Mildred Angle was married to Mr. Watson late in June. They went to La Jolla, Cal., for their honeymoon. Mrs. Watson has been a companion for Miss Mary Peek the past eighteen years. Mr. Watson is an architect, one of those engaged on the East Side Federal Housing project.

Some relatives of the David Reddicks were here from Missouri. They asked Mrs. Reddick to go along to visit others in Washington State and Idaho. She accepted gladly as they were some she had not seen for years. Meanwhile Mr. Reddick, after a lay-off, is again employed at the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Studio in Culver City.

It is a sad duty of a reporter to write of deaths. When those of mature years are taken, we know it is inevitable, but there is a shock when we learn of one accidentally killed while young. Isom P. Harworth, one of the deaf pioneers here died of a heart attack on August 5th. His wife found him bending over the sink, where he had gone to get a drink. He was 73 years old. He was educated at the Iowa School for the Deaf. After leaving school he operated a shoe shop in Neodasha, Kan. Here he met

Miss Irene Martin and they were married in 1895. They moved to Des Moines, Iowa, and later to Caney, Kan., coming to Los Angeles in 1911. He was a carpenter and cabinet maker, but of recent years had not been in good health. The Harworths had two daughters; Mrs. Olive Herrig died in the flu epidemic in 1918, the elder, Mae, died in 1924, leaving an infant girl. Mr. Harworth is survived by his wife, granddaughter, Betty Moe Carlson, one brother, two sisters, several nieces, nephews and cousins, all in California. Mr. Harworth was the founder of the Iowa-Nebraska Association of the Deaf in 1920. The funeral was held on August 11th, at the Mead's Chapel. It was conducted by the Rev. Robert Orvis of St. John's Episcopal Church, assisted by the layreader, Preston Barr. A hymn was sung by a niece of Mr. Harworth, signed by Mrs. Mildred Capt. Mrs. D. McDonald rendered "Nearer, My God, To Thee," sung orally by Mrs. Capt. Several Frats and former Iowans were the pallbearers. The burial was in Hollywood cemetery by the side of his two daughters.

Mrs. Ruth Verburg, 34, was killed in a highway accident near Sedalia, Colo., on August 15th. According to brief newspaper accounts, her husband, William W. Verburg, was driving toward Denver when the car failed to negotiate a curve, overturning and plunging into a roadside pit. Mr. Verburg was not injured, but their ten-year-old daughter, Joan, was seriously injured. Mrs. Verburg was buried in Colorado. Late in August Mr. Verburg came back to Los Angeles with the little girl, who is now in a children's hospital. The Verburgs had been visiting in Colorado, and intended to visit her old home in Minnesota. She was a charming and popular young woman, noted for her excellent declamations. She had several parts in the vaudeville entertainment last April. Mr. Verburg and Joan have the sympathy of many friends.

Mr. George Martin, aged 65, died on August 14th, at the home of his nephew. He was a former supervisor at the Washington and Louisiana schools. He had been in poor health the past two years. The remains were sent to his former home in Arkansas for burial. Two other deaths later in August were those of Mrs. Cokefair, widow of the late Leon Cokefair, who used to assist at the Union services for the deaf; and Thomas Murray. The latter was injured in an auto accident some years ago. He recovered but later had an operation.

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CHICAGOLAND

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Let's glance back and look over what good times we the Chicagoans had all this summer at various gatherings.

Charity Bazaar, which is annually given in May, played a double role as the finale to the spring season of social activities and as an opener for the summer period. Well, that bazaar had a card party and supper between, all at brisk pace to the tune of \$415 net proceeds that came in. The determined Mrs. Anton Tanzar had something to do with it, being chairman. She was ably assisted by her vice-chairman, Mrs. B. Frank, besides Mesdames A. Roberts, Evison, Flick and Dougherty, A. Shawl, W. Hodgson, Craig, Meehan, Brimble, Michaelson, Ursin, and by M & M (Joe Miller and William Maiworm). The inevitable place for it was All Angels' Parish Hall, at that inevitable corner of Racine and Leland, and the date was May 21st.

One must not lose sight of others that also had the share in upbuilding this affair to a success. Mrs. Frederick B. Wirt was one to be commended, for, one Tuesday night, in her home town, Aurora, she invited a few friends, mostly members of the Saturday Evening Club, to her luncheon and cards. The guests were from Chicago, Oak Park, Park Ridge and Elmhurst. The proceeds went to this bazaar. The social activity was noted in one of the Aurora papers.

True to its zest for new places, Chicago Division, No. 106, tried a new grove for its 13th annual picnic on Sunday, June 5th, in Niles, Ill. One walks four blocks from the end of the street car line to reach that Ritcher Picnic. The result was a small attendance that narrowly jeopardized its profit if it were not for that influx of the hearing patrons from the neighborhood, who heard the music refrains and came to dance. Sam Rechteris was the man that handled it, his first chairmanship job. He found it pretty toughening.

By a strange coincidence both chairmen of the Charity Picnic and Chicago No. 1 picnic, Gordon Rice and Walter Battersby respectively, had their affairs on the same Saturday in the month of August. Deadlock. Much scurrying of feet. Amicable settlement. The first, dated for August at the same grove used by Chicago No. 106, drew a still smaller attendance, whatever reasons may be. Suggested reasons flew thick and fast. Walking distance gap is one. The admission ticket costing fifty cents and at door sixty cents is another. Too much money, they think, even for charity, which was intended for the Illinois Home for the Aged and Infirm Deaf. Another major picnic to be given by Chicago No. 1 in the same month on the 20th is the third reason.

Now, how did the No. 1 fare with its 36th annual picnic? Big success, averred they through their spluttering fingers. It was on Saturday, August 20th. Rain deluges splashed down for two hours on the best hours when the crowd usually pours in. Attendance spoiled? No, no. It was five hundred that did come. Grinning explanation passed around that it was all because the first new low admission of only a quarter was responsible. Victuals were devoured to the last crumb, washed down with coffee to the last drop, thanks to the rain that sharpened the general appetite. Beer and light drinks flowed in an increasing volume as the closing hour of one o'clock in the morning drew nigh. Much, too much blabbing and scattered dancing filled the night inside the two story pavilion large enough to hold over a thousand. It was at Zatoma Grove, half a block from the end of Milwaukee Avenue car line.

Riverview Park, Chicago's only amusement park, is a perennial magnet for the deaf youths every Friday night from spring through summer to fall.

The average number ranges from 75 to 200. It is the best place where one can find new faces and make new friends every year. Informality and no social obligations make it possible. Roller skating was a favorite among them. The Fun House is the roosting coop for all the deaf to gather and play as youngsters are wont to do.

The next favorite gathering place is Wilson-Montrose Beach. Sunday afternoon never fails to see a goodly number of deaf swimmers and sunbathers congregating on this wide-sweeping, wide-curving shore. Occasionally a few would tire and swim off the beach still farther north at Greenleaf Beach at 7100 block. Occasionally the Chicago Silent Dramatic Club in bathing suits would hold a business meeting on the sands of this locality and adjourn it with a dive into the waters. Chicago has one of these things to boast of: it is its lake frontage of thirty miles from north to south, and alongside is one long continuous car drive, similar to Hendrick Hudson Driveway, with the difference that ours is not a superhighway, but is wire-fenced in stretches to prevent pedestrians from crossing except through foot subways to the shore. Endless parks front it as well.

Both Central Oral and Chicago League of Hebrew Deaf had their semi-family picnics, first at the Montrose beach and the other in the Forest Preserve near the Brookfield Zoo.

A lawn party was staged, though the name is a misnomer, by the Ephpheta School for the Deaf, with bunco and cards in that building, Sunday afternoon of August 21st. The chairladies were Sibyl Quarry and Lena Fedota. They called it "Ephpheta Day."

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MINNESOTA

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SCHOOL OPENS

Various changes have been made in the faculty at the Minnesota School for the Deaf for the current school year. Pupils will return on Tuesday, September 13th, and school room work will be resumed the day following.

Leonard M. Elstad is the superintendent of the school. Ralph Farrar is principal in the advanced department and Josephine Quinn is the principal in the primary-intermediate department.

The following new teachers have been appointed:

Edwin T. Johnson, a former graduate of this school and of Gallaudet College, to take the place of John T. Reising who retired at the close of school in May; Miss Elizabeth Day, from the Michigan School for the Deaf, replaces Miss Hattie Harrell who resigned to go to the Rochester School for the Deaf in New York.

Miss Junerose Bader, from the New York Institute for the Blind, New York City, replaces Miss Lillian Huset who resigned to take up work at Perkins Institute. Miss Rosella, a former graduate of this school and of Gallaudet College, replaces Miss Susie Huseby who retired at the close of school in May.

Miss Florence Sabins of Gallaudet College, replaces Miss Agatha Madsen who resigned last spring.

Miss Esther Myklebust, from the Nebraska School for the Deaf, has been appointed to fill the position left vacant by the resignation of Miss Eugena Stubbins who goes to the New Mexico School for the Deaf.

Miss Elizabeth Baughman, from the Indiana School for the Deaf, has been appointed to fill the teaching position left vacant last year for financial reasons. Miss Irene Halvorson, a former graduate of this school, has been appointed teacher in beauty culture, a position which has been vacant the past year also for financial reasons. Miss Ruth Berglund, one of the School for the Deaf graduates of last spring, has been appointed assistant seamstress. Miss Martha Benson, head nurse, has resigned to take up work at the Veterans Hospital in Wadsworth, Kan. Her position has been filled by the promotion of Miss Sigred Bertilson, formerly assistant nurse. Miss Bertilson's position has been filled, announcement of which is not being made yet.

Teachers returning include the following: Lloyd Ambrosen, Lewis Backstrom, John T. Boatwright, Mary Bowen, Eleanor Brown, Byron B. Burnes, Opal Coffman, Fred S. Cook, Chester C. Dobson, Mildred Durgan, Thirza Fink, Audria J. Granger, Fern O. Hatfield, Wesley Lauritsen.

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Clarence E. Sommer, Victor R. Spence, Mary M. Thompson, Mary K. Towler, Elizabeth Watkin and Paul F. Koring.

MINNEAPOLIS ORAL NEWS

The Minneapolis Oral Association had its first Annual picnic at Cherokee Heights Park, overlooking the beautiful Father of the Waters (Mississippi River) in St. Paul, Minn., on Sunday, August 21st.

The picnic committee composed of Lloyd Carlson, president; Russell Corcoran, secretary; Joe Lieb, treasurer; Howard Johnson, Richard Spater, George Revak and Joe Shama, arrived at the park at 9 A.M., and found that they were not the first ones to be there. The early bird that wanted to be sure of getting the worm was Jimmy Awod, newest member who joined Minneapolis Oral Association last month.

The picnic program was supposed to begin at 10:30 A.M., but people did

not arrive in large numbers till well past 11 A.M. During the afternoon there were approximately 200 at the picnic.

Many games were played. A diamond ball game was played between the Minneapolis and St. Paul deaf and the oralists. Richard Spater had charge of the games, some of which were new to the participants. The winners of the games are thus announced: Girls' foot race, Betty Langford; Boys' foot race, Andrew Revak; Kids' mixed foot race, Walter Lauby and Marie Jones. Paper bag over face, walk to a post.—This race was the most exciting one of all. The paper bags were placed over each player's face and they were to reach a certain post. Well, everybody had to turn around three times and then walk ahead. They walked everywhere and Eva Conley and John Langford were the first ones to reach the post, thus winning the prizes. Wheelbarrow race, Walter Bauer as wheelbarrow and Dorothy Bauer as a pusher won.

Rain interrupted the games for a short time. After the storm was over, the games were resumed with balloon blowing contest.

At six o'clock the beautiful six-way lamp was raffled off. Miss Winifred Surdyk, Minneapolis, won it. Approximately 750 tickets were sold for the raffle. Russell Corcoran won a beautiful hand carved box made by Richard Spater for selling largest number of raffle tickets.

Among the out of town visitors were Mrs. Grace M. Noah of Los Angeles, Cal., Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Lauritsen, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Dubey, all of Faribault, Minn., Mr. George K. S. Gompers of New York (nephew of Samuel Gompers), Ben Ellis of Chicago, Ill., Mrs. Mabel Daone of Sparta, Wis., Frank Roe of Schuylkill Haven, Penn., Herbert Krakover and his brother, Leon, both of Philadelphia, Pa., and many other visitors from numerous Minnesota towns.

Due to the hard work of the picnic committee and the wonderful cooperation of everyone who attended, the picnic was declared a great success, financially and otherwise.

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Anent Deafness

By Thomas Francis Fox

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Naturally, in most families of the deaf, children appear in due time, and the rearing of children is rather a complex problem with them. At first thought it seems unfair to foist deaf parents on a child, so as an antidote one needs only to call to mind that many children are reared under a worse parentage. Deaf parents seek to make up for their handicap by giving their children unusual advantages. Born of healthy parents, their children are nearly always remarkable for their good health. The very difficulty under which the child of deaf parents labor serves to bring out his initiative at an early age. Forced by necessity as a babe, he learns when scarcely six months old to make some gesture for water to drink. From that period onward he picks up signs rapidly, the while he acquires speech with the same facility as children in normal households from the spoken language his parents address to him. Where parents are lip-readers, he learns at an early age to shape his tiny mouth so that his words may be understood if not heard. This fact is, in itself, an answer to the unwarranted assertion of some unthinking teachers who say that many of the deaf are prejudiced against speech and lip-reading; deaf parents are anxious to speak to their children and to understand the speech of their children. Before school age he learns to spell on his fingers, and upon entering school his progress is, with this early start, much aided, especially in spelling and reading. As he grows older his parents prepare seriously for the child's future. Often household arrangements and even the lives of the parents are so shaped as to yield the greatest possible benefit to the children, and beyond this the deaf parent can do no more. Genuine love and affection between them and their children is the result, which the latter in adult life look back upon with real appreciation.

There should be mentioned the not unusual life of the deaf child of deaf parents. While not frequent among children of the deaf, it is most common of all, strange to say, where one of the parents is hearing, than where both parents are hearing. That is in proportion to numbers, and omitting the cases where there is a noted hereditary strain towards deafmutism. This is probably the result of unhappy marriages, the parental effect of which appears in deaf offspring. The deaf child of deaf parentage finds himself in an environment which favors his rapid acquisition of signs and in consequence he shows a precocity in that respect not rapidly acquired by other deaf children. Upon entering school his range of ideas is broader, but with the passing of a few years this is likely to disappear, and his life proceeds like that of other deaf children. There is still another class—the deaf who do not marry. These form a somewhat larger proportion than the same class among the hearing; failing marriage they may seek the home of other deaf people as boarders. They do not usually isolate themselves among hearing strangers, the preference is to live with those with whom they can readily communicate. This is the choice of even good lip-readers, who, while they have wider choice in this respect, seek the greater ease which signs and finger spelling offer. Lip-reading is often a strain upon the eyesight, especially as age creeps on, which one does not care to maintain through hours of relaxation. These unmarried deaf are often valued members of the household, and frequently much of the management of the latter is left in their hands. Taken as a whole, the deaf in their home life may be classed as unusually happy. Efforts have been made from time to time to prohibit the marriage of the deaf. Except in those cases where the hereditary strain points to an almost certain production of deafmutism, this is a mistake. The tendency to return

to the normal is recognized by eugenicists to be very strong in the case of deafness, and this, taken into consideration with their small families, precludes any danger of there ever resulting a special deaf variety of the race.

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New York State

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The Langes were favored by a few hours' visit from Miss Ethel Koob of Poughkeepsie, on August 31st. Miss Koob was enroute to Council Bluffs, Iowa, where she has secured a position on the staff of the Iowa School for the Deaf. She has our good wishes and we hope she keeps up her allegiance to good old New York and returns to our fold next summer. Miss Koob was recently graduated from Gallaudet College, where she was quite a leader in student activities.

While the Labor Day outing held the Sunday before Labor Day failed to attract the crowd expected, it was by no means a flop. We were pleased to note the following out-of-towners: the Edwards from Pittsfield, Mass.; the H. D. L. Clarks from Hartford, Conn.; the Ashs and Connelys from New York City, the Campochiaro brothers from Kingston, and Miss Sara Barto of Buffalo.

A good many Albanians left the city for the Labor Day week-end, but we have yet to hear from them. The Edward Lydeckers are taking advantage of Ed's vacation and have driven to Hudson to visit his relatives. They will drive son Charles, back to school on Tuesday, where he will resume his studies at the new school in White Plains.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Goldfogel visited the New England Home for the Aged and Infirm Deaf-Mutes in Danvers, Mass., and various historic towns outside Boston.

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